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Subject: RE: Preparation for new RA- URGENT

Hi Kathleen

Jason Brush just sent an email about Rosemont and the position we may in if the Corps issues a draft decision. It looks like Water will take on updating the briefing paper. We should coordinate with Tomas on potential briefing date: See below:

Yesterday, we became aware that Rosemont reached out to OP and OFA in Feb. They were inquiring about whether Region 9 had responded to Rosemont's rebuttals to our Nov 2017 letter. Those rebuttals were mailed to the Corps but did not cc us, nor did the Corps share them with us. Although our Nov analysis relied on information from the EIS, OFA rightfully pointed out that it is a 404-process and decision letter; it's unclear whether OFA or OP coordinated with OW at any point between Feb and now, but I will follow up through the HQ Wetlands chain.

R9 Wetlands staff have continued to reach out to Corps staff every 1-2 months for any updates. We have asked specifically if there are any new documents or information, and been told clearly and directly that there are not. **Importantly, if the Corps moves ahead with granting a permit, it will trigger a 2-week clock for R9 to review their draft decision docs and make an RA decision on requesting HQ review.**

I will work with Paul Amato to ensure the RM briefing paper is updated for the RA transition book, and will speak with Ellen and Mike about an overall briefing strategy.

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I'm thinking (hoping) that there will be some regular check in with the RA where we can brief him on some of these topics. (it would also make sense to me that at some point we do state-specific briefing across all divisions – but I don't know that will be done as yet. – I might suggest it.)

Of the water issues, I would say that none of them HAVE to be done as a formal briefing for the RA, with the exception of SFPUC. And as he won't need to make a decision on that, we don't really need to do that one, but you are correct that it is likely local folks will reach out to him, so we could put that on the list.

Joel, let me know on Thursday which, if any, of the below you think we should queue up in the next 60 days. **Nicole**, do we need a Rosemont briefing in the first 60 days?

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Topics we should get ahead of:

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All – we are revving up for the new RA. The front office wants a queue of briefings. He will be drinking from a fire hose, so we should think strategically about what he actually is going to have a role in deciding (referrals and signing CDs) as opposed to things it would be nice for him to know about. I assume he will set up some kind of regular check in with Claire and me for “normal stuff”. Please see Amy’s email below and my comments. I’m especially interested in your take on bullet #3 for briefings – and the timing thereof.

Re bullet #1 transition papers.

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Bullet #2. I can't think of any decisions we want/need the new RA to decide. Referrals are not date-driven, so I would put these in the last category for briefing queue.

Bullet #3. Priority briefings.

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SMT:

As I mentioned at our meeting yesterday there are several items that need your attention this week . The due dates are staggered so that I am not having to do everything at once.

1. By May 9th- please personally review your transition papers. If they look up to date, then change the date in the top right corner and upload back to sharepoint. I have already reached out to Divisions with papers that clearly need an update.
https://usepa.sharepoint.com/:f:/r/sites/r9_Work/epa_r9_smt/Shared%20Documents/RA%20Transition?csf=1
2. By May 9th -Update 90-day calendar and TAS tracking list. I have already sent this out to division contacts. Please personally review and make sure the items listed are accurate.
https://usepa.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/sites/r9_Work/epa_r9_smt/Shared%20Documents/90-

day%20Calendar%20and%20other%20tracking%20documents/R9%20Rolling%2090-day%20Issues%20Calendar%205152018.docx?d=w9c18e6f8f06d49efb99b9b7131446029&csf=1

3. By May 10th - we ask that each division prepare the following lists and send to me:
 - a. Potential RA meeting/events for the next two months.
 - b. Internal briefings. Please provide a priority list, timing issues, and identify which briefings require RA decision (See 90-day calendar-please make sure it is up to date).

Thank you for your help.

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